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Applicant: MILLS

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**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE** to

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed February 2, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.